

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS SECTION MEETING

MINUTES

The Professional Engineers Section of the Virginia Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers and Landscape Architects (APELSCIDLA Board) met on April 29, 2003, at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 3600 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia, with the following members present

Richard N Davenport
Stanley C Harris
Ronald G Helton

Staff present for all or part of the meeting were

Karen W O'Neal, Deputy Director of Regulatory Programs
Mark N Courtney, Executive Director
Marian H Brooks, Program Administrator
Trisha L Henshaw, Administrative Assistant

No representative from the Office of the Attorney General was present

Mr Davenport, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9 05 a m

Call to Order

Mr Helton moved to approve the agenda as amended Mr Harris seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by members Davenport, Harris, and Helton

**Approval of
Agenda**

Mr Helton moved to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2003, Section meeting as amended Mr Harris seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by members Davenport, Harris, and Helton

**Approval of
Minutes**

Public Comment Period - No comments were made to the Section members

Public Comment

The Section members discussed a memorandum from the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) regarding changes to the Structural II examination Beginning with the April 2004 administration, the examination will contain four problems that will be scored as a composite Examinees will be required to pass the total examination in a single administration Currently Virginia candidates are allowed to pass the morning and afternoon portions separately Mr

**Changes to
Structural II
Examination**

Courtney indicated that Virginia applicants will be notified of this change in the near future

The Section members reviewed correspondence from the Idaho Board of Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors regarding their opposition to a proposed NCEES Bylaw amendment. The proposal by NCEES, if adopted, would result in the elimination of the Education Assessment and Qualification Committee as a standing committee of the NCEES. After discussion, the Section members agreed by consensus with the Idaho Board and opposed the proposed bylaw amendment.

Letter from
Idaho Board
Regarding
NCEES Bylaw
Amendment

The Section members were provided with the NCEES Zone Update for informational purposes.

NCEES Zone
Update

The Section members were provided with information regarding candidates for various NCEES offices that will be elected at the NCEES Annual meeting to be held in August in Baltimore, Maryland.

Candidates for
NCEES Officers

The Section members were provided with various news releases from the Accreditation Board of Engineering Technology (ABET) for informational purposes.

Review of
Information
from ABET

The Section members reviewed the draft regulations prepared by the Regulatory Review Committee. After reviewing the draft regulations document in its entirety, Mr. Courtney indicated that at the APELSCIDLA Board meeting scheduled for June 5, 2003, the Board will decide whether or not to begin the regulatory review process.

Review Draft
Regulations
Prepared by
Regulatory
Review
Committee

The Section members took a break from 10:41 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.

Break

The Section members were provided with information from NCEES regarding the examinations.

Other Business

The Section members were provided with a memorandum from NCEES regarding upcoming examination changes, including a new Fundamentals of Engineering manual and changes to the Structural II examination.

Mr. Courtney stated that in the future all Section meeting minutes will be ratified by the Board at the APELSCIDLA Board meetings as opposed to by the Sections at the Section meetings, as the Sections are essentially a committee of the Board and committee meeting minutes are adopted by the Board.

Mr Courtney provided the Section members with an article from the Richmond Times Dispatch regarding the credentials of VDOT engineers as well as an accompanying article regarding the Board's criteria for licensure

By acclamation, Mr Helton was selected to serve as Chair of the Professional Engineers Section for the term beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2004

Mr Courtney discussed funding for the upcoming NCEES Annual Meeting scheduled for August 2003 in Baltimore, Maryland As there is no funding from the Department available, Mr Courtney stated that one option available would be for two members to split the costs of registration and lodging, as one member is funded through NCEES

Conflict of Interest forms were completed by all members present

Conflict of
Interest Forms

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12 10 p m

Adjourn


Richard N. Davenport, Chair
Louise Fontaine Ware, Secretary

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**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

- 1 Name Ronald G. Helton
- 2 Title Member
- 3 Agency APELSCIDLA Board
4. Transaction: Board Meeting on April 29, 2003
- 5 Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction: N/A

6 I declare that:

(a) I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

CEC/V, VSPE

(b) I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

R. Helton

Signature

4/29/03

Date

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**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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- 1 Name: Richard N. Davenport
- 2 Title: Member
- 3 Agency: APELSCIDLA Board
- 4 Transaction: Board Meeting on April 29, 2003
- 5 Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction: _____

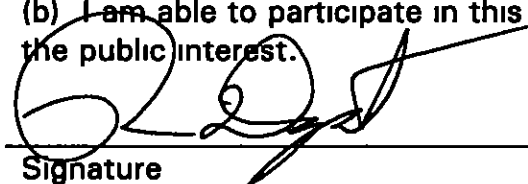
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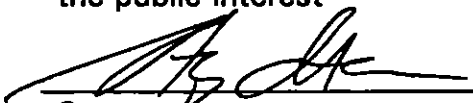
1. Name. Stanley C. Harris
2. Title Member
3. Agency. APELSCIDLA Board
4. Transaction: Board Meeting on April 29, 2003
5. Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction. NDNE

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